



FIRST IN COMMUNITY. FIRST IN MISSION.

September 5, 2010
8:30am and 11:00am

WORDS OF MEDITATION

“If I cannot find God in the middle of my work—where my concerns and worries, pains and joys are—it does not make sense to try to find him in the hours at the periphery of my life.”

Henri Nouwen

GATHERING TO CELEBRATE THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude “Take This Bread, Take This Cup” - Broughton
Judith Pearson, Organist

Words of Welcome 8:30am - Judy Graff, Liturgist
11:00am - Holly Cable, Liturgist

*The Call to Worship

Love is of God!

Therefore, friends, let us love one another.

God is love; if we know God, we love as God loves us.

God’s divine love was revealed through God’s Son, Jesus Christ.

God loves us and wants us to abide in that love.

If we love one another, God lives in us and God’s love is perfected in us.

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear.

We love because God first loved us. Thanks be to God!

Alleluia. Amen. —Based on 1 John 4:7-21.

*The Hymn of Praise “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” No. 384

*Invocation

Almighty and merciful God, your Word calls us to abide in you; to so dwell in you that it is no longer we who live, but your Spirit living through us. As we abide in you, your Spirit empowers us to love, enables us to forgive, invites us to joyous worship, admonishes us to repentance, challenges us to faithfulness and obedience, and beckons us to intimacy with both Creator and creation. We bless you and praise you for loving us with an everlasting, limitless love and for entrusting to us the responsibility and joy of participating in your vineyard. Amen.

OUR WORDS TO ONE ANOTHER

Children’s Time Jennifer Solt, Director of Children’s Ministry
The Time for Community
Special Music “Amazing Grace” - Benjamin Harlan
Juliana & Nathan Hoch, duet

OUR WORDS TO GOD

The Hymn of Prayer
Pastoral Prayer
The Lord’s Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

GODS WORDS TO US

Scripture Reading John 15:1-5, 8-12
8:30am – Lisa Haines, Lay Reader
11:00am – Charles Diediker, Lay Reader
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

The Message “Abide in Me” Rev. Jane Y. Riecke
Holy Communion No. 12

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Offering
Offertory “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace” - Mark Hayes
Juliana Hoch, soloist

*Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

ENACTING THE WORD

*Hymn of Sending Forth “Go Forth For God” No. 670

The Sending Forth

Stay close to Jesus this week. Abide in him and in his Word so that you may bear the fruit of love, hope, faithfulness and joy. By this is God glorified and by this shall the world around us know Jesus Christ.

Hallelujah! Amen.

The Postlude “Processional” -Handel

*People standing, as able. **Bold**, response of the people



September 5, 2010
9:45am

Gathering

“Rock of Ages”

Welcome

“Blessed Be Your Name”

Announcements

“Above All”

Prayers of the People

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

God’s Holy Word John 15:1-5, 8-12
Susan Kuhling, Lay Reader

Message “Abide in Me” Rev. Jane Y. Riecke

Holy Communion

“I Walk By Faith”

Invitation to Fellowship

Welcome to Worship! If you are a newcomer, welcome! During the service please use and pass the Friendship Folders. We encourage everyone to record their visit and complete the information sheet, including the city in which you live. If you are a first time guest, please fill out the yellow sheet and bring it to the 'Ask Me' desk for a hospitality gift. Also, if you have questions about FUMC, stop by the 'Ask Me' Desk located in Lobby Court. Church information may also be found in the Friendship Folders.

The Children's Worship Bags are back and better than ever, featuring activities connected to today's message! Pick up your bag from the rack at the back of the sanctuary and return it to an usher or place in the "Used Bags" bin near the rack after the service so they can be re-stuffed with fun for next week!

Hearing Devices are available during the worship service. Please ask an usher to assist you if you would like to use one.

Prayer Cards: Prayer Request cards are available in the Friendship Folders; please use them to notify the Prayer Ministry Team of any prayer requests and/or answered prayers. You may either drop the cards in the offering plate, or put them in the Prayer Box at the back of the Sanctuary. Prayers may also be submitted on our website, www.seekchristtoday.org.

Worship Service on Cable TV: The 8:30am worship service is televised every Wednesday evening at 6:00pm on channel 83, Comcast.

Fellowship Hour: Coffee, pastries/breads/fruit are available in Coy Hall between 9:30 & 11:00am. We invite you to stay and enjoy the fellowship.

Next Sunday in Worship: "Christians Under Construction"; Luke 6:47-49. Rev. Jane will be preaching.

Large Print Bulletins & Hymnals are available from an usher.

Prayers: Loman Young, Kirk Martinson, Alice Wilken- McKee; Del Schultz, Marilyn Beaman, Cathy Haines, Dale England, Diane Kufeke, Ann Kessler, Ed Chappell, Bob Chappell, Rick Eastman, A.J. Irwin, Jenny Bowers, Polly Magill, Vic Spencer, Sharon Spoon, Amey Adams, Charles & Leora Carle, Elden Gayman's brother-in-law, Charles Haney.

Pray for all who are seeking employment.

Deaths: Dave Mills' mother; Art Grotenhuis' brother; Tisha Johnson's mother; Craig Cable's cousin Carolyn Robinson's Inurnment, 9/1/2010.

Presence: Total attendance for 8/29/2010 - 374

Births: Lily & Jacob Hoffman, baby girl, Elisa Mae.

Gifts: Thanks to following people who gave to the Good Neighbor expense fund: Mike & Larry Carlson, Larry & Marilyn Hagan, Mark & Linda Svoboda, Roger & Anita Williams, Rev. Brian, James & Julia Cherry, All the Youth and Children's Ministry Programs.

Service: Thank you to the 129 volunteers that worked the Good Neighbor Festival.

Acolytes: 8:30am – Ashton Hornick
11:00am – Harrison Bittner

Altar Flowers are given today by Jinx and Jerry Donnelly in celebration of their 44th wedding anniversary.

Missionaries: Craig & Karen Dial, Emmanuel & Florence Mefor, Dr. Steve & Alene Burgert.



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